City of Marion – Regular Meeting

May 11, 2020

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Marion held in the Council Chambers at 6:30 P.M. The City Clerk was instructed to call the roll and the response was as follows:

PHYSICALLY PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS PATTON, BARWICK, WEBB AND STOECKLIN AND MAYOR ABSHER.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Economic Development and Municipal Planning Director Glenn Clarida.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Webb made a motion to pass the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Stoecklin seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, BARWICK, WEBB AND STOECKLIN AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA.

STREET DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Webb stated the low bid for the asphalt resurfacing of City streets came in approximately \$145,000 under the engineer's estimate. This is potentially due to lower oil prices. He said the City might be able to resurface a few extra streets that weren't planned for because of the lower price. Commissioner Webb made a motion to approve the low bid of \$714,747.45 from Southern Illinois Asphalt for resurfacing of City streets to be paid from MFT and Gas Tax Funds. Commissioner Barwick seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, BARWICK, WEBB AND STOECKLIN AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND MUNICIPAL PLANNING

Mayor's Chief of Staff Cody Moake explained this is the second amendment to the Residential TIF. This amendment is for the removal of some additional parcels that were found by Williamson County that are not in the City. These parcels are bordered by properties that are in the City. For whatever reason, these parcels were never annexed or never recorded properly. So far, 19 total properties have been removed from the Residential TIF. Cody explained the City is working on annexing these properties into the City, but at this time they will not be included in the Residential TIF due to an enormous cost to the City and time constraints. Commissioner Stoecklin made a motion to approve Ordinance 3618 the 2nd Amendment to the Residential TIF, removing parcels not in City limits. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, BARWICK, WEBB AND STOECKLIN AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA.

Mayor's Chief of Staff Cody Moake explained this resolution is another step in the process of receiving the grant funds the City was awarded last fall for the single-family rehab grant in the Midway Court and Eisenhower Street area. Commissioner Patton made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-32, accepting a grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority's Single-Family Rehab Program. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, BARWICK, WEBB AND STOECKLIN AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA.

Mayor's Chief of Staff Cody Moake explained this is an inducement resolution regarding the North Commercial TIF. He and Mayor Absher have discussed amending the territory that is included in the North Commercial TIF. This is a property in the process of being purchased that would be included in that new amendment to the TIF. Commissioner Webb made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-33 an Inducement resolution with RCSZ Properties, LLC and Marion Center Project, LLC. Commissioner Barwick seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, BARWICK, WEBB AND STOECKLIN AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Stoecklin read the Water Department and Sewer Department Reports for April. He reported some information complied by Sewer Department Superintendent Brent Cain. The Sewer Department has two treatment plants that can treat 10 million gallons per day. There are 133 miles of gravity sanitary sewer lines in the sewer system with 3,000 manhole structures, 20 pumping stations and 14 miles of high-pressure lines. During the month of April, 93,800,000 gallons of wastewater were treated and 158 tons of biosolids were applied for agricultural purposes. Commissioner Stoecklin thanked businesses for running pictures of 2020 graduates on their signs.

Commissioner Webb reported the Street Department hauled away 1,360 tires, 137 loads of junk and 108 loads of brush during the Spring Clean-Up. He asked the public to please pay attention to traffic control during the upcoming resurfacing of City streets. He reported that work continues on sidewalks throughout the City.

Commissioner Patton had nothing to report.

Commissioner Barwick reported the first responders were busy during the month of April He read the Police Department, Detective Unit and Fire Department Reports for April. He reported there were 4,479 dispatched calls, 2,147 9-1-1 calls and 385 ambulance calls during the month. The Detective Unit had 47 cases during the month and the Fire Department had 56 total calls for the month. He also reported the Fire Department has suspended inspections and occupancy permits due to COVID-19.

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6:40 P.M.

Commissioner Patton made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss property and personnel. Commissioner Barwick seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, BARWICK, WEBB AND STOECKLIN AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA.

7:44 P.M.

Commissioner Barwick made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and resume the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, BARWICK, WEBB AND STOECKLIN AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA.

Mayor Absher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Barwick seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL VOTE COMMISSIONERS PATTON, BARWICK, WEBB AND STOECKLIN AND MAYOR ABSHER ALL VOTED YEA.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Michael W. Absher, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy S. Beasley, City Clerk